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1. ADD TO KREKELER'S SPECIFIC INTERESTS A PROPOSAL TO BRING TOGETHER DURING 1976 GERMAN AND AMERICAN WW II VETERANS. HE HAS DISCUSSED THIS WITH PRESIDENT SCHEEL WHO, IMPRESSED BY THE EFFECTIVENESS OF SUCH MEETINGS BETWEEN FRENCH AND GERMAN VETERANS, SUPPORTS THE IDEA AND HAS SUGGESTED THE ASSOCIATION OF GERMAN WAR VICTIMS AS THE PROJECT COORDINATOR ON THE GERMAN SIDE. WE HAVE GIVEN KREKELER THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AND THE VFW AND REQUEST THAT APPOINTMENTS WITH THEIR WASHINGTON OFFICES, IF STILL POSSIBLE, BE INCLUDED IN HIS SCHEDULE.

2. AMBASSADOR KREKELER WOULD DEEPLY APPRECIATE IT IF THE DEPARTMENT COULD INFORM THE U.S. NATIONAL PARK SERVICE THAT HE AND MRS. KREKELER ARE PLANNING TO VISIT YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK MARCH 12 - 16. A GREAT OUTDOOR FAN, HE ALWAYS RECEIVED VIP TREATMENT FROM THE PARK SERVICE WHEN VISITING NATIONAL PARKS DURING HIS TIME AS AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON AND HOPES THIS CAN BE REPEATED IN CONNECTION WITH HIS VISIT TO THE U.S. IN HIS CAPACITY AS FRG BICENTENNIAL COORDINATOR.

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